

THE
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OF THE

Round and Round-Text-H A N D S:

Mathematically Demonstrating

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INTRODUCTION.

SUCH has been the Advantage the ART of WRITING has Received, and the Encouragement I have had from some late Essays I have made on that Subject, as have induced me to appear again in Publick with This, Intituled, The Standard Rules of the Round and Round Text-Hands, Mathematically Demonstrated ; And as I cannot doubt but every considering Person will readily grant, That a Regular and Curious Piece of Writing cannot be perform'd by the Hand, unless the Understanding, which is to direct it, be first inform'd of the necessary RULES for such a Performance ; So since THESE are wanting, having never yet been publish'd to the World, and That this Essay furnishes a Method to supply that Want, in relation to the Round and Round-Text-Hands, there will need no other Reasons to prove the Necessity and Usefulness of this Undertaking.

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THE
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OF THE
Round and Round-Text-HANDS,
Mathematically Demonstrated.

*An Account of WRITING in General, and of the RULES
of the Round and Round-Text Alphabets in Particular.*

SECTION I.

The Definition and Division of WRITING.

WRITING is an ART which Teacheth to *Form, Proportion, Join, and Place*, according to *certain and sufficient Rules*, the *Letters, Words, and Lines* of every differing *Hand* of Writing.

WRITING is *Speculative* and *Practical*.

The *Speculative* is That which discovers the *necessary Rules and Means* of managing, with *Conduct*, all the *Lines and Strokes* of the Pen. *This* may be acquired by the *Precepts* of the best *Authors and Masters*.

Practical Writing is That which *Forms the Letters*. It supposes the *Knowledge* of the *Speculative*, for the *Understanding* must be *first inform'd* of the *Rules* of every Letter, otherwise it cannot give *Directions to the Hands*: And all the Letters must be perfectly *impress'd on the Imagination*, before the *Hand* can so perform them on the Paper.

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The Object of WRITING.

WRITING considers particularly *Lines* and *Strokes*.

Of LINES.

The LINES used in WRITING are *Right* and *Curve*.

THE *Right-Line* lies all along its Length exactly even with (that is no where higher or lower, more to one or other side, than) the two Points (*A* and *B*) which bound it, as (*A—B*).

Otherwise it is called a *Curve* (or *Crooked*) *Line*, as (*○*).

Of *Right Lines*. The *Perpendicular* is That which falling or rising on another, makes the Angles, on each Side of it, equal.

The *Plumb* (or *Downright*) *Line*, is That which, descending does not incline either to the Right or the Left, as (*I*.)

The *Horizontal* (or *Cross*) *Line*, is That which Traverses the Paper, as (*—*).

The *Oblique Line*, is neither Horizontal nor Downright, but a Slant, as (*/\.*)

The Strokes of WRITING.

THERE are Five Principal Strokes in Writing: The *Perfect-Full*, the *Imperfect-Full*, the *Half-Full*, the *Reversed-Full*, and the *Fine* (or *Hair*) *Stroke*.

The *Perfect-Full* is the Greatest Full, made when both Corners of the Nib of the Pen press, or bear so hard on the Paper, as to Force the greatest opening of the Split which the Pen will bear.

The *Imperfect-Full* is That which is made when both Corners of the Nib of the Pen bear so hard on the Paper, as not to Force any more opening of the Split than is just necessary to let the Ink flow; such is generally called The *Body Stroke* in each Hand.

The *Half-Full* (generally Traverses the Paper, and) is seen in the Traversing or Cross Stroke of the *German Text f.* and *t.*

The *Reversed-Full*, is That which is made with the Back of the Pen's Nib, seen in the latter part of the *Round* and *Round-Text O*.

The *Fine* (or *Hair*) *Stroke*, is the Finest made with the Pen; such are usually the *Tye* and *Joining-Strokes*.

SECTION III.

The Use of Lines and Strokes.

LINES and Strokes have been Invented, that Letters might be composed of them.

All Letters in WRITING depend (principally) on these Three *n. o. f.* which for that reason are the *Origine*, and *Foundation* of the Others, because that these Three comprehend all the Strokes of the Pen, that the others are drawn from: But because in WRITING we have need of the Pen, and the Movement of the Hand, which is the Instrument of Instruments, it will be necessary to shew the Cut, Hold of the Pen, Position of the Body, and the several Movements of the Hand.

How to make a PEN.

1. YOU must hold the Quill in your Left-hand, between your Thumb and Two First Fingers, with the Barrel of it towards you, and the Belly of it upwards, and the Haft of your Penknife grasp'd with the Four Fingers of your Right-Hand, placing the Thumb of your Right-Hand under the Back of the Barrel of your Quill, bearing firm against the End of the Second Finger of your Left-Hand.

2. Then open the Belly of the Barrel of the Quill with a Cut, in the manner of a Scoop, about the Length of half an Inch, and Turning the Quill with the Back of the Barrel upwards, holding both it, and your Penknife, as before directed; Cut about half a quarter of an Inch off the End of the Quill, which will leave it in the Form of a Half-Moon: In the midst whereof (which will be also in the midst of the Back of the Barrel of your Quill) Enter a small Slit with the Edge of your Pen-Knife.

3. Then holding your Quill, with the Back of its Barrel upwards, in your Left-hand, with your Thumb, and Three last Fingers, the end of its Barrel from you, and resting upon the End of the First Finger of the same Hand, which must be extended; and holding your Penknife with the Four Fingers and Thumb of your Right-hand, with the Edge of it downwards, scrape the Quill with it on the Back of the Barrel, over the small Entering-slit, 'till you find by your scraping the Quill to become (in that place) transparent.

4. Then turning the End of the Barrel of the Quill towards you, and holding it between the Thumb and two First Fingers of your Left-hand, and holding the Haft of your Pen-Knife with the Thumb and Two First Fingers of your Right-hand, with the Peg of its Haft towards your Left-hand, Enter the Peg (about a third part of it) into the Barrel of the Quill, and pressing the Thumb of your Left-hand on that part of the Back of the Barrel, as you intend the Split should reach to, strike up a Split.

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5. After which, keeping your Quill between the Thumb and Two First Fingers of the Left-hand, and the Penknife-Haft held with the Four Fingers of your Right-hand, with the Thumb of the same Hand under the Barrel of your Quill, bearing against the End of the Second Finger of your Left-hand, Cut off so much of that Split as you find needless, or too long.

6. Then turning the Quill with the Belly of its Barrel upwards, holding it, and your Penknife in your Hands as before, open the Belly of the Barrel in manner of a Scoop, somewhat higher than it was before, and with the Point of the Penknife discharge your Quill of its Pith, if it has any; then turning your Quill with the Back of its Barrel upwards, and holding your Penknife with the Four Fingers of your Right-hand, and placing your Thumb against the End of the Second Finger of your Left-hand, under the Barrel of the Quill, Shape, Hollow, and Cut down (to Form a Nib) that side of your Quill which is next your Right-hand.

7. Turn your Quill, the Belly upwards, and Shape, Hollow, and Cut down (still to Form a Nib) the other side of your Quill, (which will be now also next your Right-hand) and continue to pare it neatly on each side the Split, till you have formed a neat Nib, with a Split of the Length you find proportion'd to the Weight or Pressure of your Hand in Writing, equally Shaped and Carved alike on each side of the Split.

8. After which (the Belly of the Barrel of the Quill being upwards) Cut the Shape of your Pen Scoop-wise.

9. Then holding the End of the Thumb of your Left-hand, against the End of the Second Finger of the same Hand, and the Nib of your Pen between your Two First Fingers of the Left-hand, and lying flat upon your Thumb-Nail, and holding the Penknife with the Three First Fingers and Thumb of your Right-hand, so as your Thumb, and First Finger, may hold on the Blade of the Penknife near its Haft, the Blade held shelving, pare a bit sloping off the Nib of your Pen.

10. Then turning the Edge of the Penknife downright, Cut off from the Nib of your Pen such a bit (called Nibbing the Pen) as may leave it of a Breadth suiting the Strength or Full of the Hand you intend it for; and before you Dip your Pen in the Ink, Wet the Nib of it in your Mouth.

LEAVING the Split a little longer than that of the Pen for the common siz'd Round-Hand, and making the Nib with a finer Point, bending it with the Thumb a little inward to strengthen the Spring, and setting it to soak in a thin Ink for about Six Minutes before you use it, makes you a very delicate Striking-Pen for the French Command of Hand.

AND Cutting a Pen with the like Split, a little broader at the Nib, with the Edge of the Penknife slanting under it towards the end of the Thumb Nail, and afterwards passing the Corners of it lightly on a fine File to round them a little, makes you a most delicate Pen to strike the Dutch Command of Hand.

How to Hold the PEN.

1. **HOLD** your Pen with the Thumb and Two First Fingers of your Right-Hand, so as that your Second Finger's End may Reach just to the Upper-part of the Hollow or Scoop of your Pen; and that your Pen may Rest on that side of your Second Finger, (near the Nail) which is next your First Finger.

2. Your First Finger's End must Reach just as low as the Top of the Nail of your Second Finger, and lay hold or press on that part of the Barrel of the Pen, which is next your Second Finger.

3. Your Thumb (almost extended Strait) must lay hold or press on that side of the Barrel of the Pen that is next it, and will then reach to right against the Top of the Nail of your First Finger.

4. Your Pen and Hand thus Order'd, Your Pen will be held on the Right side of it, (almost under the Barrel) by the End of your Second Finger near its Nail.

5. On the Right Side (almost on the Back of the Barrel) it will be held by That part of your First Finger, which is nearest your Second Finger.

6. On the Left Side (about an Inch and a quarter from the Point of the Nib) it will be Held by the Ball of the End of your Thumb, Traversing slant-wise opposite to the End of your Thumb-Nail: And the Feather'd part of your Pen will pass between the Upper and next Joint of your First Finger; and the Hollow, Scoop, or Opening of your Pen, will be hid from your Sight.

7. The Hollow (or Palm) of your Hand, will be almost directly against your Paper.

8. Your Third Finger must bear upon your Little Finger, near its End; but it must be brought more inward (or nearer your Left-hand) than your Little Finger.

9. Your Little Finger must bear on your Paper with that Joint of It, which is next to its Nail.

10. The Ball of your Right-hand (near your Wrist) must not (nor any part of your Hand, but the before-mention'd Joint of your Little Finger touch the Paper.

11. Your Pen and Hand order'd according to these Directions; You will find the Paper and Desk on which you write, will be born on by nothing else, but the Nib of your Pen, the Lowermost Joint of your Little Finger, that part of your Right Arm, which is between your Wrist and Elbow; and by the Thumb, Fingers, and part of the Arm, near the Elbow of your Left-hand; on which (and the Seat you sit on) the Weight of your Body should Rest.

The Position of the Body, Desk, Seat, and Book or Paper, when you sit at Writing.

1. **L**ET the Height of the Flat of your Desk, whereon you lay your Book or Paper, be about two Foot three Quarters from the Ground; the Height of your Seat, one Foot three Quarters; Let your Seat's Edge be distanced from the Edge of the Desk (which comes next your Body) half a Foot.
2. Let the Room for your Knees and Legs to come under your Desk be one Foot.
3. Lay your Book or Paper, on which you write, straight before you.
4. Let the Elbow of your Right Arm be distanced from your side about four Inches.
5. Let your Body be (nearly) upright, and right against your Book or Paper; and if you suffer any part of it to touch the Edge of your Desk (which it is best to avoid if you can) let it be but slightly.
6. Let the Weight of your Body rest on your Seat and Left Arm; and hold your Paper (fast down) on which you Write, with the Thumb and Four Fingers of your Left-hand.

The several MOVEMENTS of the HAND.

There are Three Sorts of Movements in WRITING, the Small, the Medium, and the Grand Movement.

1. **T**HE Small Movement is that which is made with only the Thumb, and Two Fingers which Hold the Pen: And is in Use in making the Small Letters of the Round Hand Alphabet.
2. The Medium comprises the Movement of the Thumb, Two Fingers (above-said) and the Joint at the Wrist; and is in use in making the Great Letters of the Round Hand Alphabet, and the Dashes or Strokes used between the Lines in Thrown-off-Strokes, and Notes of Abbreviations of Words: The Slide of the Hand along the Paper in Writing, added to this Movement, gives it the Name of *The Rich and Generous Motion*, by way of Excellence. 'Tis this Movement that you see in the Hand of an Expeditious Clerk, when he is dispatching of Business, and his Pen glides swiftly on the Paper.
3. The Grand Movement (called *Command of Hand*) is that which takes in the Use of the whole Arm, and is used in Striking of Capital Letters, and Ornamental-Strokes: It would Charm you to see this Movement put in Practice by the Obedient Hand of a Compleat Artist.

SECTION IV:

The Forming of the Letters n. o. f.

THE Forming of the Letters *n. o. f.* which (in respect of Height, Width, Strength, Slope, and Stroke) are the Origine and Foundation of the Others, depends on the Distinction, and Diversity of Hands.

HANDS may be divided into Two Classes, namely the Square or Upright-Hands, called the Clerk or Law-Hands.

And the Slope-Hands, called the Merchant or Trade-Hands.

The Square-Hands, comprehend the Courts, Chanceries, Texts, Engrossings, and Secretary-Hands, both Set and Running.

The Slope-Hands comprehend the Round-Text, Round, and Italian Hands, both Set and Running.

The Letter *n.* in all these Hands begins at the Top, proceeds on to the First Body-Stroke on the Left-hand, then rising to the Top with the Tye-Stroke, proceeds again to the next Body-Stroke, and ends with a Joining-Stroke.

The Letter *o.* begins also at the Top, proceeds then to the Body-Stroke on the Left-hand, and returns upwards (some Cases in the Large Hands excepted) with a Reverfed-Full.

The Letter *f.* begins at the Upper-stem, (sometimes with a Reverfed-Full) proceeds to the Body-Stroke, then goes on, sometimes to a Reverfed-Full, and sometimes to a finish'd Point, and Ends with the Traversing or Joining-Stroke.

Having now given an Account of WRITING in general, and of the Forming those Letters on which the others, (in relation to their Beginnings, Height, Width, Strength, Slope, and Stroke) depend; I shall proceed to the particular Rules, and Proportions of the Round and Round-Text Small Alphabets.

SECTION V.

The STANDARD RULES of the Round and Round-Text Small Alphabets, with their Mathematical Demonstration and Projection.

An Explanation of the PLAN in the Plate marked Letter A, whereon the Letters n. o. k. x. r. ff. s. u. z. are projected.

DRAW the Foot-Line marked *g. g.* and Cross it with a Perpendicular Line, (as in Letter *n.*) marked *o. c.* On this Perpendicular set 18 such equal Parts as will answer your Intended Height (as in this Example mark'd *o. c.* and at that Distance

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Distance draw the *Head-Line* (marked *d. d.*) parallel to the *Foot-Line*: Set also on the *Foot-Line* (from *o.* beyond *n.*) twelve of those Parts; and on the *Head-Line* from *c.* beyond *e.*) twelve of those parts; and you have *The Standard Height* and *Width* of your Letters without Stems.

2. Draw the Lines *n. c.* at two parts Distance from each other, and the Lines *o. e.* at the same Distance, and you have the *Standard-Strength* of the *Body-Stroke*, and also the *Standard-Slope* of your Letters.

3. At 15 parts distance from the *Head-Line* (marked *d. d.*) draw your *Upper-Stem-Line* (marked *b. b.*) parallel to your *Head-Line*; and at 15 parts distance from the *Foot-Line* (marked *g. g.*) draw the *Under-Stem-Line* (marked *b. b.*) parallel to your *Foot-Line*; and you have the *Standard-Height*, and *Depth* of your *Stems*.

4. Draw at 9 parts distance from the *Head* and *Foot-Lines*, the Line marked *f. f.* And you have the *Standard-Center-Line*. Thus the *PLAN* is completed on which the *Whole Hand* is projected.

SECTION VI.

THE Letters *a. b. c. d. e. g. h. i. j. l. m. n. o. p. q. r. s. t. u. v. w.* and *y.* depending intirely in their Proportions on the Letters *n. o. f.* I shall begin with the *Projection* of these Three Letters, and then give an Account of the Letters *k. x. r. s. z.* which (tho' agreeing with the above in their General Proportions) differ a little in the *Projection* of some of their Parts.

The LETTER *n.*

The Standard Rules of this Letter are, viz.

1. ITS *Slope* (or *Position*) as in the *Plan.*
2. Its *Perpendicular Height*, $1\frac{1}{2}$ its *Width*, or 18 parts.
3. Its *Width*, $\frac{2}{3}$ of its *perpendicular Height*, or 12 parts.
4. Its *Strength*, (or *Body-Stroke*) $\frac{1}{2}$ of its *Width*, or 2 parts.
5. Its *Tye-Stroke*, passes from the *Center-Line* of its first *Body-Stroke*, thro' its *perpendicular*, 4 parts short of the *Head-Line*.
6. The *Turns* at *Head* and *Foot* of its last *Body-Stroke*, which pass upon *Arches of Circles* (whose *Semi-diameters* and *Centers* are determin'd in the following Rules of *Projection*) must be exactly alike.
7. Its *Joining-Stroke*, follows a like Rule to its *Tye-Stroke*.

The Projection.

1. FROM *e.* with Extent 4 parts strike an Arch. — From Center *r. e.* Extent 8 parts, cross it; — and with Extent 7 parts, cross it again, gives two Centers for the two Circles on which the *Turn of the Head* of the last Stroke of *n.* passes.

2. The like Rule for the *Turn at Foot*.

3. From 6 parts *r.* towards *e.* extent from thence to 14 parts *o.* towards *c.* strike the *Tye-Stroke* at the head of *n.*

4. The same Extent from 12 parts *o.* towards *c.* strike the *Joining-Stroke* at the Foot of *n.*

The LETTER *o.*

The Standard Rules of this Letter are, viz.

1. ITS *Slope*, as in the *Plan*.

2. Its *Perpendicular Height* as that of *n.*

3. Its *Width*, $\frac{1}{2}$ a *Body-Stroke* more than that of *n.* or 13 parts.

4. Its *Strength*, (or *Body-Stroke*) the same as that of *n.*

5. The *Strokes* that compose it, pass upon *Arches of Circles*, as by the Rules of *Projection*.

The Projection.

1. FROM 13 parts *r.* towards *e.* extent 5 parts, strike an Arch. — From 5 parts *c.* towards *e.* extent 3 parts, cross it. — From Center *o. c.* extent 9 parts, strike an Arch. — From *c.* extent 6 parts, cross it. These Crosses, give two Centers for *Circles at Head of o.*

2. From 6 parts *o.* towards *n.* extent 3 parts, strike an Arch, and extent 2 parts, strike another. From 3 parts *o.* towards *c.* extent 6 parts, cross one of the *Arches*, and from 2 parts, cross the other: These Crosses give two Centers for *Circles at Bottom of o.*

3. From 13 parts *o.* towards *n.* extend the *Compasses* to 12 parts *c.* towards *e.* and from 11 parts *o.* towards *n.* strike an Arch; and from 16 parts *o.* towards *c.* cross it, gives a Center for the *Outer-Arch of the Left-Side of o.*

4. From 15 parts *o.* towards *n.* extend the *Compasses* to 12 parts *c.* towards *e.* and from 9 parts *o.* towards *n.* strike an Arch; and from 15 parts *o.* towards *c.* cross it, gives a Center for the *Inner-Arch of the Left-Side of o.*

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5. From 13 parts *o*. towards *n*. extend the Compasses to 12 parts *c* towards *e*. and from 2 parts *o* towards *c*. strike an Arch; and from 10 parts *c* towards *e*. cross it, gives a Center for the *Outer-Arch* of the *Right-side* of *O*.

6. From 15 parts *o* towards *n*. extend the Compasses to 12 parts *c* towards *e*. and from 9 parts *c* towards *e*. strike an Arch; and from $2\frac{1}{2}$ parts *o* towards *c*. cross it, gives a Center for the *Inner-Arch* of the *Right-side* of *O*.

The LETTER *f*.

The Standard Rules of this Letter are, viz.

1. ITS *Slope*, as in the *Plan*.

2. Its *Perpendicular Height*, (including upper and under Stems) 4 times the Width of *n*. or 48 parts.

3. Its *Strength*, (or *Body-Stroke*) the same as that of *n*.

4. Its *Upper-Stem*, projects on the *Right-hand* of its perpendicular, as much as is the Width of *n* and *o* together, or 25 parts.

5. Its *Under-Stem*, projects on the *Left-hand* of the same perpendicular $2\frac{1}{3}$ the perpendicular Length of the said Stem, or 35 parts.

6. Its *Joining* (or *Cross*) *Stroke*, is in Length $3\frac{1}{2}$ Strengths of a *Body-Stroke*, or 7 parts.

The Projection.

1. ON the *Upper-Stem-Line* from 20 and 21 parts *c*. towards *e*. let fall two Perpendiculars, and set on each of them downwards 4 parts, gives two Centers for the Circles that compose the *Reversed-Full* at the *Head*.

2. From 17 parts *c*. towards *e*. on the *Upper-Stem-Line*, extent 30 parts, strike a large Arch, and from 1 part *c*. towards *e*. cross it, and from 3 parts *c*. towards *e*. cross it again, gives Centers to the two Arches that complete the *Upper-Stem* of *f*.

3. The *Under-Stem* of *f*. is done by the like Rule; and the *Joining* (or *Cross Stroke*) is accounted for above.

The LETTER *k*.

The Standard Rules of this Letter, are, viz.

1. ITS *Slope*, as in the *Plan*.

2. Its *Perpendicular Height*, twice the Width, and half the *Perpendicular Height* of *n*. or 33 parts.

3. Its *Width*, as that of *n*.

4. Its *Strength*, or *Body-Stroke*, as that of *n*.

5. Its *Tye-Stroke*, as that of *n*.

6. Its *Turns* in the last *Body-Stroke*, pass on *Arches* of *Circles*, whose *Centers* and *Semi-diameters* are determined in the *Projection* following.

7. Its *Joining-Stroke*, by the Rule of the *Tye-Stroke*.

The Projection.

k. Will have only the *Arches* from the *Head Circles* of the *Center*, and the *Middle Circles* to describe; Those at *Head* and *Foot*, and the *Tye* and *Joining-Strokes* being done by the Rules that project the *n*.

1. FROM the *Center*, with Extent 18 parts, strike a large Arch; and from 4 parts *c*. towards *r*. cross it; and from 1 part *e*. towards *r*. cross it again: These *Crosses* give two Centers for the *Arches* from the *Head Circles* to the *Center*.

2. From 6 parts *o*. towards *c*. extent 3 parts, sweep the biggest of the middle *Circles*; and from 7 parts, extent 2 parts, sweep the least of the middle *Circles*.

The Letter *x*. which gives Rules to *c*. and *e*.

The Standard Rules of this Letter are, viz.

1. ITS *Slope*, as in the *Plan*.

2. Its *Perpendicular Height*, as that of *n*.

3. Its *Width*, twice the Width of *o*. or 26 parts.

4. Its *Strength*, or *Body-Stroke*, as that of *o*.

5. Its *Joining-Strokes*, and *Loops* pass upon *Arches* of *Circles*, whose *Centers*, and *Semi-diameters*, are determined in the *Projection* hereunder.

The Projection.

x. Will have only the *Loops*, the *Stroke* that crosses it, and the *Joining-Strokes* to describe; the rest of it being done by the Rules of *O*.

1. FROM 6 parts *o*. towards *n*. extent 2 parts, strike an Arch; and from 2 parts *n*. towards *a*. cross it, gives a Center to the biggest Circle of the bottom Loop.

2. From *n*. extent 3 parts, strike an Arch, and from 3 parts *n*. towards *a*. cross it, gives a Center to the least Circle of the bottom Loop.

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3. From *n* extend the Compasses to 11 parts *c* towards *s*. and from 7 parts *o* towards *c*. strike a large Arch; and from 2 parts *n* towards *a*. and from 1 part *n* towards *a*. cross it in two places; gives two Centers for the two Arches that compose and finish the bottom Loop. A like Rule for the other Loop.

4. Extend the Compasses from 3 parts *t* towards *s*. to 15 parts *o* towards *c*. and sweep the Joining-stroke.

The LETTER *r*.

The Standard Rules of this Letter are, viz.

ITS Slope, Perpendicular Height, and Strength, as those of *n*. and its Drop passing upon Arches of Circles, is described in the Projection following.

The Projection.

1. FROM Center *o. c.* extent 10 parts, strike an Arch; and from Center *r. e.* extent 8 parts, cross it, gives a Center to the largest Circle of the Drop.
2. From the Center *r. e.* extent 9 parts, strike an Arch; and from *c.* extent 6 parts cross it, gives a Center to the least Circle of the Drop.
3. The Tye-Stroke, as that of *n*.

The LETTER *s*.

The Standard Rules of this Letter are, viz.

ITS Slope, Perpendicular Height, and Strength as those of *n*. and as the whole of this Letter passes on the Arches of Circles, their Centers and Semidiameters are determined in the Projection hereunder.

The Projection.

1. FROM the Center *r. e.* extent 7 parts, strike an Arch; from 15 parts *r.* towards *e.* extent 3 parts, cross it from Center *r. e.* extent 8 parts, strike an Arch; from Center *o. c.* extent 10 parts, cross it, gives Centers to the two Circles at Head of *s*.
2. The bottom Circles of *s*. done by a like Rule to that of the Bottom of *o*. differing only in 1 part more from *o.* towards *n*.
3. From the Center *r. e.* extent 10 parts, strike the Outer-Arch of Head of *S*. from *c* towards *e.* on the Center-Line set 17 parts; and from thence with extent 15 parts \dagger , strike the Inner-Arch of Head of *S*.

4. From *c* towards *a.* on the Center-Line, set 8 parts; and from thence with extent 10 parts —, strike the Outer-Arch of Bottom of *S*. and from Center *n. a.* extent 10 parts, strike the Inner-Arch of Bottom of *S*. and turn the Dot as in the Copy.

The LETTER *z*.

THIS Letter in all its parts (excepting its Oblique (or Diagonal) Line, which possesses a Width equal to its Perpendicular-Height, or 18 parts) passes upon the Arches of Circles, whose Centers and Semi-diameters are determined in the Projection following.

The Projection.

1. HAVING drawn the several Perpendiculars distanced from each other as in the Copy, and the Oblique-Line from *e* to *n*. — From 1 part *c* towards *a.* set down on its Perpendicular 5 parts, gives a Center to the largest Circle of *z*, from which, with Extent to the Head-Line, strike the Circle. From 2 parts *c* towards *a.* set downwards 4 parts, gives a Center to the second Circle, which sweep with an Extent, that will just touch the Circumference of the former Circle on the Left-hand. — From Center *o. c.* extent 6 parts, strike an Arch, from *c.* extent 5 parts, cross it, gives a Center to the third Circle, which sweep with an Extent, that will just touch the Circumference as before.

2. From 4 parts, and from 5 parts, *c* towards *e.* are two Centers for the two Circles at Head, swept with an Extent that will just reach the Oblique-Line mark'd *n. e.*

3. From 3 parts, and from 4 parts, *o* towards *n.* are two Centers, from which, with an Extent that will just reach the Oblique-Line marked *n. e.* sweep two Circles.

4. From 4 parts, and from 5 parts, *o.* towards *r.* are two points, from each of which set upwards 7 parts, gives two Centers, on which sweep two Circles; the largest with an Extent that will just touch the Foot-Line, and the other with an Extent that will just touch the former Circumference on the Right-Hand. From Center *o. c.* extent 8 parts, strike an Arch; from *o.* extent 9 parts, cross it; gives a Center, on which sweep a Circle, that will just touch the same Circumference on the Right-hand as before.

The LETTERS *t.* and *i.*

THE Perpendicular Height of the Stem of the *t.* (from the Head-Line) is as much as the Inner Width of *n.* or 8 parts; and that of the Tittle of the *i.* as much as the Outer Width of *n.* or 12 parts; and its Radius is 1 part.

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SECTION VII.

THE placing of LETTERS, WORDS, and LINES.

Of LETTERS.

THE Distances of Letters (which determine their Places) are counted from the Perpendicular of the One, to the Perpendicular of the Other, as hereunder; and the Strokes which Join them are seen in the Letters *n. o. f.*

a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x y z
20.18.13.20.13.10.20.20.10.10.19.10.20.20.18.19.20.12.16.10.10.20.18.18.13.20.21

That is from the Perpendicular of *a.* to the Perpendicular of any Letter is 20 parts, and of *b.* to any Letter is 18 parts, and the like of the rest of the Alphabet as above.

Exceptions.

<i>a d g h m n q u</i> coming before	<i>b s x z</i>	and <i>p</i> coming before	<i>b s x z</i>
Parts	21 18 16 22	Parts	20 18 14 21
<i>b o v w</i>	19 16 12 20	<i>r</i>	13 10 18 15
<i>c e x</i>	14 10 10 14	<i>s</i>	17 13 11
<i>f i j l f</i>	11 7 4	<i>y</i>	21 18 16
<i>k</i>	20 17 17 21	<i>z</i>	22 20 17 18

That is, *a.* or *d.* or *g.* &c. (as above) coming before *b.* is distanced 21 parts, and coming before *s.* is distanced 18 parts, and the like of the rest as above.

But when you would Join the Letters *i* and *n.* (or others of a like Joining) from the Bottom of the former to the Top of the following, with a Turn at the Top, you may add to their Distance a Body-Stroke, that is 2 parts.

Of WORDS.

THE nearest Distance of Words, One from the Other, is that Space that would be left, if an *n.* (join'd properly to the last Letter of a foregoing, and first Letter of a following Word) were taken away.

Of LINES.

THE nearest Distance of Lines (that is of Foot-Lines) one from another, is, for Letters with Close-Stems, Four times the Width of the Letter *n.* or 48 parts; and for Letters with Open-Stems (that is looped Stems) the nearest Distance of the Foot-Line, is Three times the Perpendicular-Height of *n.* or 54 parts.

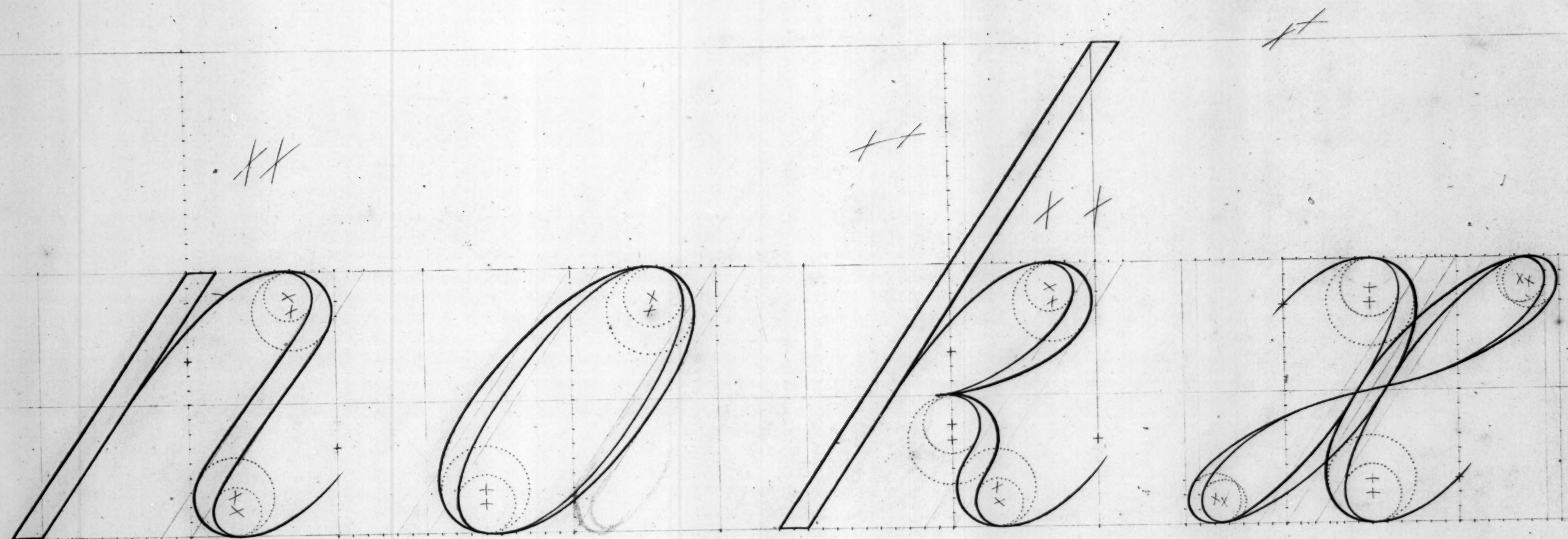
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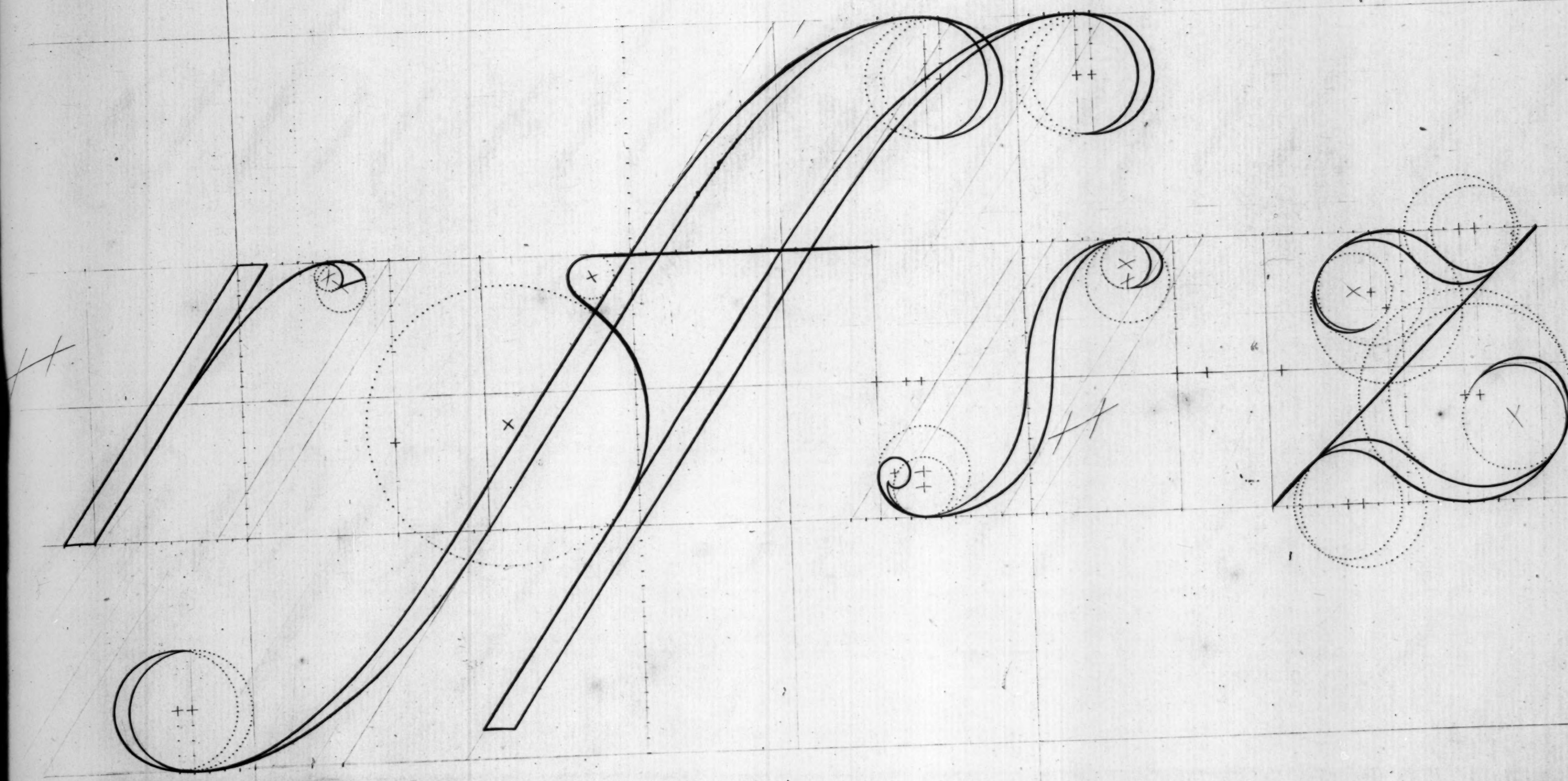
E I N I S.



a b c d e f f g h i j k l l m n
o p q r s t t u v w x y y z.

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Amsterdam th 25 March 1713.

Mr Thomas Aylward

Since our Last of yth 15 past, We have not been favour'd with any from you except a postscript to y^r of yth 17th of Mr Atwoods: Thanking you for y^r Honour shewn our Bill. We have this day drawn on you for y^r own Accompt y^r bill^a of y^r Accompt as hereunder £113.5.8.
 payable at 2 us^a to Messieurs Aaron & Simon Abrahams or Ord^r. Value of ditto, Exch^a 33.9 1147. - -
 Lagio 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ p^t 31.10.8
 For which have credited you 1178.10.8

The honour of our bill we Recommended to you. Herein you have a bill of R^o 266. 67. drawn on you by Mr James Spilman & paid by
 for y^r humble serv^{ts} Chitty & St Quintin

1712 Debit Mr Thomas Aylward's Acco^t Current Credit.

Jan. 3. Drawn on us by James Spilman p ^{mo} Octob ^r for y ^r Acco ^t 1350. - - -	Feb. 1 st . Drawn on you £ 130 at 33.8 $\frac{1}{2}$ 1314.12.8.
Feb. 11. Address'd to us for paym ^t a bill of R ^o 266. 67. at	1713. Agio 2 $\frac{3}{8}$ p ^t 31.4. - -
1713. 87 Jey. drawn by idem on you 1160. - - -	Mar 25 th . Drawn on you £ 113.5.8 at 33.9 1147. - -
Mar 25 for our provision of 2510. At $\frac{1}{2}$ p ^t 12.11. - -	Agio 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ p ^t 31.10.8.
For Broker ^a of Exchange 1.16. - -	
Errors Excepted 2524.7. - -	J ^s Chitty & St Quintin 2524.7. - -

To
Mr. Ierman
Penman in
LONDON.

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mm. nn. oo. pp. qq. rr. ss. tt. vv. ww. xx. yy. zz.

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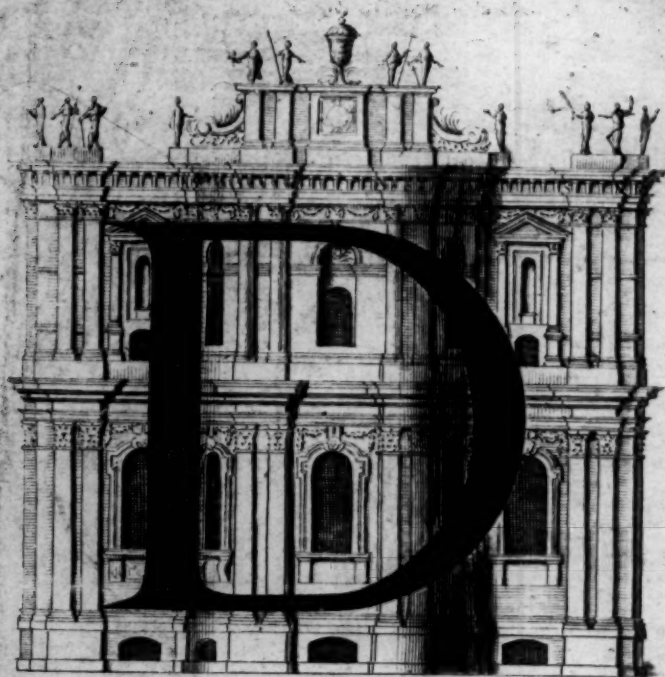
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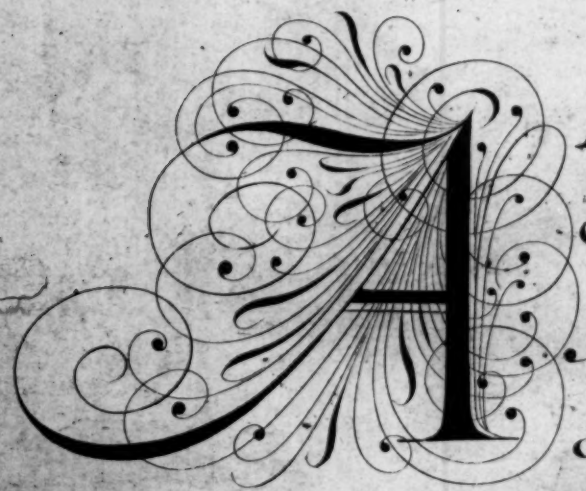
A B C D E F G H I K L M

*To my Honoured friend Mr IOHN CARY Merchant in LONDON
A LOVER OF ARTS AND SCIENCES.*



IVINUM MIRACULUM

certè ut ex XXIV. notis & interdum apud aliquas nationes
paucioribus, infinita vocabula mentes diversæ, contraria
actus omnium hominum & ipsæ cogitationes possint efficacius
& perfectius quàm ipsa picturâ representari: fiuntque scriptu-
ræ ad perpetuam rei memoriam: conservat enim scriptura
quæ hominis memoria non potest complecti. *Petrus Gregorius.*



A B C D E F G H I K L M N O P Q R S T V W X Y Z

A a b c d e f f g h i k l l m n o p q r s f f t u v w x y z &

A B C D E F G H I K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

A a b b c d e f f g b h i j k k l l m n o p q r s f f t t u v w x y y z & &

N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

CVRES LONDINI FACIEBAT.

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Aa b c d e f g h i j k l m n o
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Promise nothing to your prejudice, however perform what you promise; no Bond binds like the word of an honest man, his conscience is Witness.

Let not a small difference in judgment, make a difference in affection: may not hearts agree, though heads differ:

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 tia nostra speciali ac ex certa scientia & libero motu nris

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